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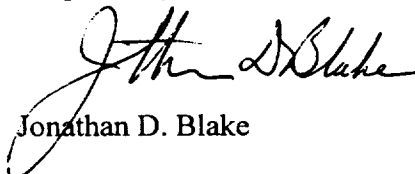
Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Salas:

During the period from January 4 to 15, the undersigned counsel for Independent Cable & Telecommunications Association ("ICTA"), has had brief telephone conversations with the following Commission personnel largely devoted to status checks about ICTA's Emergency Request for Immediate Relief that it filed with the Commission on November 5, 1998. To the extent these conversations went beyond mere status inquiries, they reflected the positions set forth in ICTA's Emergency Request or referred to the need for the Commission to encourage (and take a more active role ) in discussions between the affected industries, given the impasse on the merits of the issues in this proceeding as reflected in the pleadings.

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